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In re Application of

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Application No. 10/644,111

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DECISION ON PETITION  
TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER  
37 CFR 1.102(c)(1)

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1), filed July 19, 2006, to make the above-identified application special based on applicant's health as set forth in M.P.E.P. § 708.02, Section III.

The petition is **DISMISSED as moot**.

The instant application has already been accorded "special" status per the decision from Technology Center 3700 with a mailing date of July 20, 2005. As set forth in M.P.E.P. § 708.02, "Applications which have been made special will be advanced out of turn for examination and will continue to be treated as special throughout the entire prosecution in the Office (emphasis added)".

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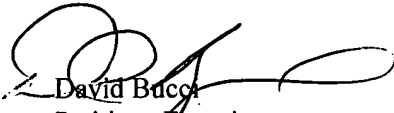
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All other inquiries concerning either the examination or status of the application should be directed to the Technology Center.



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